



Press Release

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On: TEXAS MILK PRODUCTION
UP 12 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

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AUSTIN Texas milk production totaled 469 million pounds during August, up 12 percent from last year's production of 419 million pounds. July 2004 production totaled 493 million pounds.

The number of milk cows during August averaged 320,000 head, unchanged from last year and July 2004. Production per cow averaged 1,465 pounds during August, up 12 percent from last year but 5 percent below July 2004.

Milk production in the 20 states participating in the monthly survey totaled 12.4 billion pounds, up 2 percent from production in these same states in August 2003. July revised production, at 12.5 billion pounds, was up 1 percent from July 2003.

Production per cow during August averaged 1,595 pounds, 24 pounds above a year ago. The average number of milk cows in the 20 states was 7.77 million head, 5,000 head less than last year but 7,000 head more than July 2004.